

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
GREAT FALLS DIVISION

UPPER MISSOURI WATERKEEPER,  Plaintiff,  v.  UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY and ANDREW WHEELER, Administrator, United States Environmental Protection Agency,  Defendants,  and  STATE OF MONTANA, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,  Intervenor and Defendant.	Case No. 4:20-cv-00027-BMM  ORDER GRANTING STATE OF MONTANA, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO INTERVENE AS A DEFENDANT
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Applicant for intervention, State of Montana, Department of Environmental Quality, filed its motion pursuant to Rule 24, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, to intervene in the above-captioned case. As set forth in its motion and brief in support of its unopposed motion to intervene as a defendant, the Applicant meets the standard for intervention as of right, or, in the alternative, permissive intervention. Plaintiff and Federal Defendants do not oppose Montana's motion.

IT IS ORDERED that the unopposed motion for intervention of Applicant State of Montana, Department of Environmental Quality is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Intervenor-Defendant State of Montana, Montana Department of Environmental Quality must file its Answer by July 8, 2020.

DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brian Morris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Morris" clearly distinguishable.

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Brian Morris, Chief District Judge  
United States District Court